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In re Patent application of :
Glenn Bingham : Patent Technology Center 3600
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**RESPONSE TO DECISION ON REQUEST FOR
WITHDRAWAL OF ATTORNEY**

Honorable Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

This is in response to the Decision dated January 7, 2003, in which the Patent Office contends that power of attorney in the subject application rest with the firm of Jones, Volentine, Steinberg & Whitt, LLP (now Volentine Francos, PLLC -- hereinbelow "the Volentine firm").

Apparently, the subject application is a continuation of a previously filed application in which the Volentine firm is named in the power of attorney. However, that parent application was transferred to another firm during prosecution, and it is believed that the power of attorney to the Volentine firm was revoked in the parent application.

In any event, it is noted for the record that the Volentine firm did not at all participate in the filing of the subject application, that the Volentine firm has not at all participated in the prosecution of the subject application and is thus not aware of the status of the subject application, and that the Volentine firm was not even aware of the existence of the subject application until receipt of the March 13, 2003 Decision.

Assuming *arguendo* that the revocation (if any) in the parent application is not effective in the subject continuation application, the undersigned attorneys hereby request that their names be withdrawn as attorneys of record in the subject application. The reason for the withdrawal is the previous termination (in the parent application) of attorney-client relations by the applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

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